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## TO SAVE THE ISLAND FISH

### National Fish Commissioner Sends Suggestions to Governor.

It becomes more and more apparent, day by day, that the administration at Washington is going to take a kind of working interest in Hawaii that will result in the highest possible development of those resources of the Territory whose care can properly be fostered by the National government.

Yesterday Governor Carter received from Fish Commissioner George M. Bowers, of the Bureau of Fisheries of the Department of Commerce and Labor, the letter which follows herewith:

"Hon. George R. Carter, Governor of the Territory of Hawaii, Sir:—Mr. John N. Cobb, who as a member of the party from this Bureau which investigated the fish and fisheries of the Hawaiian Islands in 1901, had charge of the commercial inquiries, and made a second canvass of those fisheries during the present year, has called attention to the urgent need for certain changes in the present fishery laws of the Territory so that commercial fisheries, which are at present quite valuable, may be preserved. He refers particularly to the use of fine meshed nets, by means of which many small and immature fishes are needlessly destroyed.

As you requested of him to be advised of any changes in the present Territorial laws which the investigation might indicate as desirable, I cannot do better than to repeat the suggestions contained in the preliminary report of Messrs. Jordan and Evermann upon the 1901 investigation, as follows:

"The size of the meshes of seines should be limited. No seines with a mesh less than 3 inches in extension should be used. An exception may be made which will allow the use of seines not exceeding thirty feet in length and with mesh no. 10 under three-eighths inch in extension for the purpose of taking bait.

"The capture or taking in any manner whatever, or the selling, offering for sale, or having in possession any amaama, weke, moano, kumu or nunu, or other fish of the family Mullidae of less than eight inches in length should be prohibited.

"The minimum size for the ulua and related species of the family Carangidae should be twelve inches.

"The minimum size limit for all species other than those specifically mentioned above should be five inches.

"The amaama, or mullet, is of great importance in the Islands of Molokai and Oahu, and in order to properly conserve the supply the catching of them during their spawning season should be prohibited. Their principal spawning season is from the latter part of October to the early part of February.

"The selling of female ulua (locally known as lobster) when carrying eggs should be strictly prohibited. While there is no present sign of a decrease in the supply of this crustacean, it is better to start now than when it is too late.

"As the waters of Pearl Harbor seem to be favorably adapted to the raising of oysters it would be well if this industry could be established and fostered by the passage of a law permitting the leasing of small plots of land under water, adjacent to the shores, for the purpose of planting and raising oysters.

"An efficient force of fish wardens should also be provided for in order to see that the laws are properly enforced.

"It is also recommended that the native birds of the islands should be preserved.

"GEORGE M. BOWERS."

### THE TRACK.

It was felt with the ending of the Memphis meeting last month, which was characterized by the sensational performances on the part of Major Delmar and Dan Patch and others of the Grand Circuit followers, that the season for trotting sensations had ended. On Saturday, November 5, a reception was tendered Major Delmar, the victorious Smathers horse and trotting king of 1904, on the New York Speedway. Lou Dillon, the recently dethroned queen of the trotting world, evidently inspired by a feeling of pique at the honors bestowed upon Major Delmar, and smarting under the decisive defeat administered her by the Major in their meeting for the Gold Challenge Cup at Memphis, proved on Tuesday, November 8, that she had been very much misjudged, and that her 1903 speed is still in her possession, by circling the track of the Memphis Trotting Association's course in 2:01 1-4, thereby equalling the world's record established last month by Major Delmar, for a mile, without the aid of pacemaker in front and without a wind shield. On November 11 Lou Dillon, driven by Millard Sanders, went the Memphis mile in 2:01 (a new world's record); not only did the three official timers agree on those figures, but fifteen other men, all competent racetrack men, caught the mare's time the same, although special representatives of E. E. Smathers said they timed her one and one-fifth seconds slower. A heavy track and pace that was a hindrance rather than a help made the mile the greatest in the history of the light harness world. The first half mile Lou Dillon went by herself reaching that post in :59 3-4, from that point a runner was picked up, but he broke away continually and Lou Dillon covered the course virtually unopposed. Her fractional time for this most remarkable mile was :30, :59 3-4, 1:30 and 2:01. The statement of the men who timed the mare in 2:02 1-2, acting for the owner of Major Delmar, has created a trotting sensation, but inasmuch as the official timers caught the mare at 2:01, the new world's record will undoubtedly be allowed to stand.

## BEHIND THE FOOTLIGHTS

### How Scores of Children Obey Miss Martin's Directions.

Scores of children held under restraint merely by a movement of the hand, a smile or a quick word of command, tells the story of the promised success of the "House that Jack Built," the pretty little operetta which is being rehearsed almost day and night at the Opera House under the direction of Miss Martin. That so many children can be held down so that they seldom whisper to one another shows the remarkable talent of the little woman who showed her skill as a stage commandant at the rehearsal last evening. Not only did she direct the hundreds of children on the stage, but with baton she directed the orchestra, and did it well.

For half an hour before the rehearsal the stage and auditorium were buzzing with conversation and there was a constant shifting of children from seat to seat. The stage was lighted, the orchestra arranged itself and then Miss Martin came forward to the footlights with a grace of movement which showed that she had a rare gift of stage ability herself. She blew a blast on a tin whistle and instantly every sound was hushed and from that moment no child felt inclined to open his or her mouth except to recite and sing the lines of the operetta. The blackbirds were called and instantly a line of children filed upon the stage and grouped in the wings, and then other divisions were called and silently they gathered.

The overture began. Miss Martin stood upon a chair in the orchestra pit and directed the musicians in a manner to recall to mind even Souza the Great. The slightest hitch in the music brought everything to an abrupt stop and it was begun over again.

Then the curtain went up and at the stroke on the baton across the footlight's board the stage swarmed with graceful children, singing prettily the scores of the operetta, which smacks of real opera music. The singing, dancing, stage arrangements and groupings showed the hand of a master. Mother Goose (Mrs. C. B. Cooper) rehearsed a pleasing part attractively, ably supported by the Knave of Hearts (Mama Widemann) and Old King Cole (Sonny Cunha). One by one the familiar little personages of the Mother Goose rhymes came upon the stage, introduced by lilting music that fairly carried one along with its rhythmic swing to the old, old rhymes of childhood.

One thing that is almost amazing is the perfect abandon with which the children enter into the spirit of the operetta. In spite of the very large audience of mothers and friends present in the auditorium there was no show of stage fright. Little misses cavorted gracefully behind, the footlights as if at play, and the boys were not at all shy among their little girl friends.

The operetta strongly resembles "Jack and the Beanstalk," an opera which had a remarkable run at the Casino in New York eight years ago.

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